

Schools and Libraries Division

CASE SR-2008-BEN#141638

Date: April 29, 2009 To: Robert Fisher

Entity: Brownsville Independent School District

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Subject: Funding Year 2008 E-Rate Selective Review

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This fax is a follow up to the information you provided in reference to the E-Rate Selective Review Information Request, Funding Year 2008. Please provide the information requested by the close of business 5/6/2009. If we do not receive the information by that date, your application will be reviewed based on the information we currently have, which may impact the approval of your application.

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I. In response to the Selective Review Information Request you provided a Request for Proposal (RFP), upon review we find that the RFP was not available for service providers to review for 28 days (from release date to due date). The newspaper ad provided in response to the SRIR indicates a release date of 11/18/2007, with proposals due by 11/28/2007. The referenced Form 470 was posted on 11/5/2007 with an allowable contract date of 12/3/2007. Were any addendums to the RFP issued? In order to ensure a fair competitive bidding process, the Form 470 and RFP must be posted for 28 days before vendor evaluation/selection can be performed. Based on this documentation the following frn 1724277 will be denied.

It is the policy of the Brownsville Independent School District not to enter into any agreements until an action item is taken to our school district board of trustees for approval. Until that time it is my intention to review, receive, and/or reconsider any or all proposals received on, during or after the allowable vendor submittal date. My job is to consider all submissions for the "best value to the district".

Please make note of a correction to the Newspaper Ad Release Date provided at the bottom notes 11/11/2007.

For additional information on Requests for Proposals and competitive bidding, please refer to the USAC Website: http://www.usac.org/sl/applicants/step03/.

If you disagree with our determination and you have alternative information, please provide the supporting documentation.

If you fail to respond to this email within 7 days, we will perform the action(s) listed above.

II. For frn 1724277, 10 Mbps. of service, was the bid received from Time Warner, the only bid received for 10 Mbps. of service in response to RFP #08-075? If not please provide a copy of any bids received that were not yet provided.

Yes Ma'am, I agree. Only Time Warner provided a bid for 10Mbps of service.

Attachment

III. For **fm 1724277**, if more than one bid was received please provide the vendor selection documentation.

Please call me if you have questions at 973-581-5101.

Thank you.

Jane M. Giancamillo

Selective Reviewer